

## SUBURBAN ASSOCIATIONS.

List of Officers Together With Time and Place of Meeting.

ON THE ALTER OF THESE ASSOCIATIONS THE FIRES ARE BURNING FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE SUBURBS.

### Citizens' Northwest Suburban Association.

Meetings are held the first Friday Evening in Each Month in the Town Hall, Tenleytown, D. C.

#### OFFICERS:

President, Charles C. Lancaster; 1st Vice-President, Col. Robt. I. Fleming; 2nd Vice-President, Hon. John B. Henderson; 3rd Vice-President, John Sherman; 4th Vice-President, Rev. Joseph C. Mallon; 5th Vice-President, Rev. J. McBride Sterrett; Secretary, Dr. J. W. Chappell; Treasurer, Charles R. Morgan; Chairman Executive Committee, Louis P. Shoemaker.

Total Membership about 150.

### Brightwood Avenue Citizens' Association.

Meetings are held the second Friday Evening in Each Month in Brightwood Hall.

#### OFFICERS:

President, Louis P. Shoemaker; 1st Vice-President, Wilton J. Lambert; 2nd Vice-President, Edward T. Bates; 3rd Vice-President, Claude F. King; 4th Vice-President, A. G. Osborn; Secretary, John G. Keene; Assistant Secretary, Cuvier Green; Treasurer, N. E. Robinson.

Total Membership about 125.

### North Capital and Eckington Citizens' Association.

Meetings are held the fourth Monday Evening in Each Month in the Church of the United Brethren, Corner North Capitol and R Streets.

#### OFFICERS:

President, Irwin B. Linton; Vice-President, Washington Topham; Treasurer, W. W. Porter; Secretary, A. O. Tingley; Executive Committee The officers and Messrs. Jay F. Bancroft, Theo. T. Moore and W. J. Fowler.

Total Membership about 280.

#### BENNING NEWS.

The telegraph poles at the foot of Miller's hill are in a dangerous condition and liable to be blown over on someone.

Mr. Philip Caraher, the genial proprietor of Hotel Benning, announces a grand oyster roast for his friends in the near future.

#### GOOD HOPE NEWS.

Mr. W. G. Lanham is back at his old stand.

The remains of Mrs. Mathers were interred Tuesday at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Several parties are looking for the Virginia blacksmith named Wire.

#### TUXEDO NEWS.

Mr. J. C. Callon will soon begin running a free bus from the Columbia cars to Potomac View, that neat little road house on the river road near here, over which he so ably presides.

#### Local Mention.

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#### His Idea of Her.

The cavalier messenger boy, while escorting his charge home the other evening, took occasion to remark that she had been going out a great deal lately. The charge admitted that she had.

"But not as much as Miss Blank," pursued the cavalier messenger boy. "She's been going out an awful lot this winter."

It wasn't woman nature not to inquire something about Miss Blank.

"Why, she's a young lady lives 'round here on Steeple-street," said the messenger-boy. "She always rings for me to take her to and from places, and she's always going to some place or other—mostly to Mrs. Dash's."

"Not Mrs. Dash?" cried the charge, mentioning a well-known author.

"Yes, miss," was the answer. "That's her. Miss Blank was telling me all about her. She didn't used to be nothin' but a kindergarten teacher, and now she writes stories."

—New York Sun.

#### New Post for Captain Sigbee.

Washington, (Special.)—Orders were issued formally detaching Captain Sigbee from the command of the Texas and assigning him to the head of the Naval Intelligence Bureau.

## TRAP-DOOR SPIDER.

CREATURE POSSESSES GREAT REASONING POWER.

Makes a Tube Six or Eight Inches Deep and Covers the Top with a Neat Automatic Lid—Lined with the Finest Silk.

A curious species of insect is the trap-door spider, whose nest consists of a tube excavated in the earth to the depth of six or eight inches, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. It is always lined with silk and is closed with an ingeniously constructed door. One sort of door closes into the nest like a cork in a bottle; another is as thin as a piece of paper. In all cases the door opens outward, and when the nest is placed, as it usually is, on a sloping bank, it opens outward, so that there is no fear of its gaping. The object of the trap-door is to conceal the nest, and consequently it is always made to resemble the general surface of the ground. Sometimes, however, an enemy attempts to open the door, and then the inmate braces his legs against the sides of the nest and holds as fast as possible. Still other spiders have inner doors besides outer, so that if their first defense is carried they may have another behind which to retreat. more curious still is the ingenuity of the branch trap-door; that is to say, a door that opens from the main tunnel of the nest into a side branch, which the spider knows, of course, but there is nothing to distinguish it from any other part of the main nest. So, then, if an enemy should effect an entrance, the lawful occupants of the nest can quietly slip into the side branch, close the door, and there remain in security, while the intruder wonders what has become of her. If all these wonderful things are done by instinct, have we any proof whatever of individual intelligence among spiders? Most assuredly. If we remember that intelligence is proved whenever we observe a manifest application of means appropriate to the accomplishment of particular ends, it is hardly possible to deny that there is some evidence of the intelligence of spiders. Many instances have occurred more or less like the following: "One of my friends was accustomed to grant shelter to a number of garden spiders under a vacant veranda and to watch their habits. One day a sharp storm broke out, and the wind raged so furiously through the garden that the spiders suffered damage from it, although sheltered by the veranda. The mainyards of one of these webs, were broken so that the web was blown hither and thither, like a slack sail in a storm. The spider made no fresh threads, but tried to help itself in another way. It let itself down to the ground by a thread, and crawled to a place where lay some splintered pieces of wooden fence, thrown down by the storm. It fastened a thread to one of the bits of wood, turned back with it and hung it with a strong thread to the lower part of the nest, about five feet from the ground. The performance was a wonderful one, for the weight of wood sufficed to keep the nest tolerably firm, while it was yet light enough to yield to the wind, and so prevent injury. The piece of wood was about two and one-half inches long and as thick as a goose quill. On the following day a careless servant knocked her head against the wood and it fell down. But in the course of a few hours the spider mended her web, broke the supporting thread in two, and let the wood fall to the ground."

Kipling's Autograph For \$2.50.

A West Philadelphia girl, who is an enthusiastic autograph collector, has recently added Rudyard Kipling to her collection, at a cost of \$2.50. From her experience, it would seem that the English poet is not such an "absent-minded beggar" as he pictures Tommy Atkins to be. On the contrary, he believes in turning everything to a good account, and it is evidently this belief rather than a mercenary motive that prompts him to place a valuation of \$2.50 on every autograph he scribbles. It must not be inferred that he pockets the proceeds. The West Philadelphia girl sent a modest request for an autograph, enclosing a stamped and addressed envelope, as is her custom. In reply she received a printed slip from Mr. Kipling's secretary, setting forth in brief that Mr. Kipling would be pleased to furnish his autograph upon payment of \$2.50 to any charity which the collector might prefer, a receipt for which should immediately be sent to him. She donated the sum to the Children's Country Week association, forwarded the receipt to Mr. Kipling, and the other day she received the autograph.—Philadelphia Record.

#### Gallantry Discouraged.

Fargo (N. D.) special to the Minneapolis Times: A new phase of the prohibitory law was tested at Ellendale recently in the case of the State vs. Snow. The defendant was a salesman and drove over the southern part of the state. On one of his trips he gave a woman a drink of whisky out of a bottle he was carrying. There was no evidence to show that he gave the whisky with any intention, or hope, of its being an agent to assist him in his sales, but he was arrested and taken into court on the charge of treating, which is against the law. The jury was out for a long time and finally disagreed. It is the first case in the state against a man on the charge of treating. Many people are unaware of that provision in the law, and it has always been regarded as a dead letter.

When men have more money than they need they think they need more than they have.

## IMMUNE TO FEVERS.

An Englishman Tells of Remarkable Treatment Employed in South America.

The world moves fast, but it is possible that some of the most brilliant discoveries have not gone beyond the simple practices of uncivilized peoples. A Jamaica journalist gives his personal experience of how the Indians of South America not only cure a patient of the most dangerous stage of malarial fever, but also, by inoculation, insure for many years his immunity from future attacks. Other travelers have had similar experience, and no less an authority than Sir Clements Markham has testified to the efficiency of these Indian cures. The writer, after long escaping the terrible fevers of the country, succumbed at last. He says:

"I lay in my hammock, ravaged by an all-consuming fever, with death in sight. Medical aid, supposing it to be of any use, was not to be had within a fortnight's journey. A few miles from our camp was a Indian settlement. I had had some dealings with, and won the good will of the head man, so I sent to tell him that I wanted the services of a peimau, or native doctor.

"It was midnight when the messenger returned with my friend, the old chief, and the tribe 'medicine man.' By this time I was past knowing anything of my surroundings. My companions told me afterward that I had already developed all the well-known symptoms of febrile collapse.

"The peimau tended me, administering internal remedies by means of roughly devised but effective subcutaneous and other injections. Then followed the inevitable mummery, when I was shut up with the peimau, and enough noise was made to indicate a dozen people inside.

"At about 3 o'clock in the morning, when the peimau issued forth and my companions were allowed a sight of me, I was sleeping naturally, bathed in profuse perspiration, which was already moistening the outer folds of the double blanket that enveloped me. At 8 o'clock I awoke and then slept again for twenty-four hours, the peimau from time to time administering subcutaneous injections. When I finally awoke there was not the slightest trace of fever. In three days I was able to be about and in a week I was fit to undertake a long journey."

The most wonderful part of the story, however, is the sequel. The peimau, pleased with the reward given him, offered to inoculate his patient so as to render him proof against all kinds of "bush" fevers, no matter how much he might be exposed to them, for at least 100 moons. If he contracted fever it would be of the mildest kind.

The traveler went to the settlement and was inoculated. The operation consisted of stabbing gently into the left wrist with a bunch of exceedingly fine needles plucked from a hard spiny leaf, the needles being first passed through a flame and then dipped in a black liquid. In a short time all the well-known symptoms of malarial fever developed, then a peculiarly nauseous medicine was administered, and a deep sleep completed the business. When the patient awoke he felt perfectly well except for the smarting of his wrist, which had to be bandaged.

For a long time after this he traveled in some of the worst swamps of Central America, undergoing considerable exposure, including a night spent under the trees after the upsetting of his boat. Of the four white men in the boat three had fever and two died in twenty-four hours; the third returned to the United States with health completely broken.

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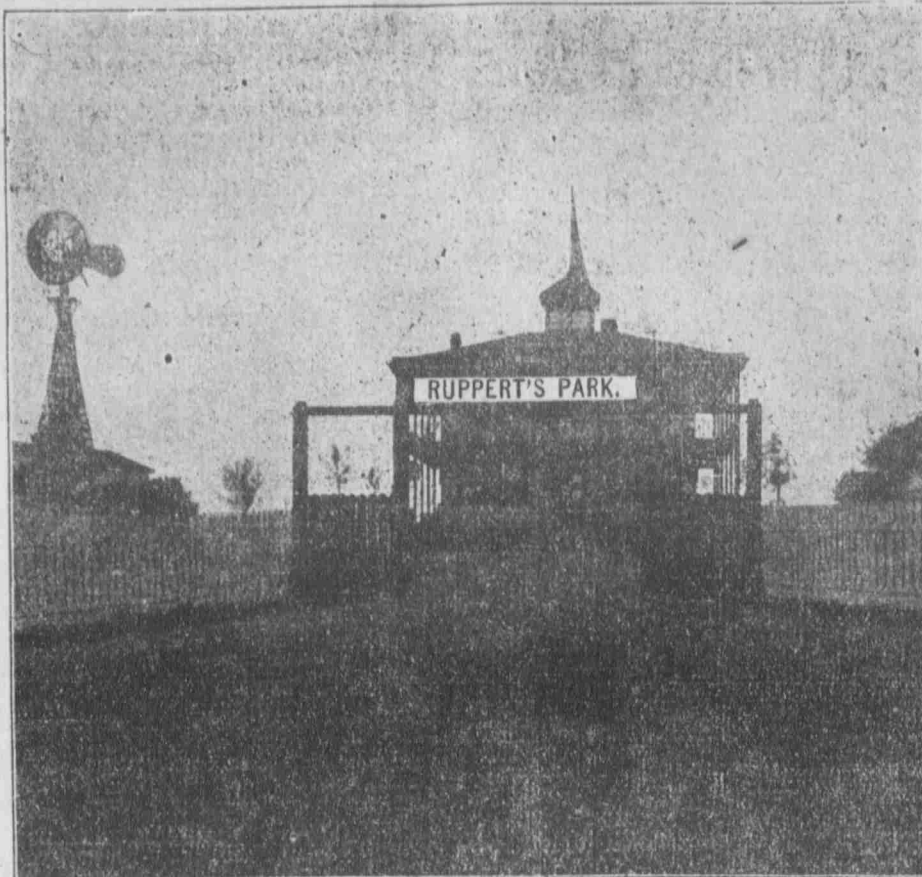
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